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PRESERVATION OF DENDRITIC CELLS FOR PROSTATE CANCER

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace claims 23 and 31 with the following substitute claims. An Appendix showing all changes to these claims is attached to this amendment as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c).

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23. (Four Times Amended) A composition comprising a cell population having an increased number of human dendritic cells competent and able to activate T cells specific to a prostate antigen as compared to a cell population directly isolated from peripheral blood.

31. (Amended) The composition according to claim 23 comprising a cell population having at least 20 fold more dendritic cells competent to and able to